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Federal Communications Commission Office of the Secretary 9300 East Hampton Drive Capitol Heights, MD 20743

RE:

Leon L. Nowalsky

Edward P. Gothard

Benjamin W. Bronston

Docket No. 96-45

Request for Waiver on behalf of Advantage Telecommunications Corp.

Dear Sir or Madam

Advantage Telecommunications Corp. ("Advantage") submits this Appeal and Request for Waiver of the 45 day revised filing rules.

On April 2, 2004, Advantage submitted its FCC Form 499-Q (due February, 2, 2004 - see form attached hereto). The figures used to complete the Form were annual revenues as opposed to quarterly revenues. This error incorrectly initiated a liability of approximately \$345,000 against Advantage. During this same time period, the regulatory compliance for Advantage was going through a transition. Because of these internal changes, Advantage filed the form with inaccurate information and also missed the 45 day revision period. As soon as the new regulatory contact realized the error, she contacted USAC.

Advantage appreciates the fact that the form was late filed and anticipates certain penalties based on this late filing. However, the magnitude of the amount due based on the erroneous information would create a hardship on Advantage's operations. Advantage is requesting the FCC waive the 45 day revised filing rules in this instance.

Advantage has been diligent in making its regulatory compliance filings with USAC and the FCC since the new regulatory contact has been in place. Advantage is appealing the invoice amount of approximately \$345,000 because it is based on incorrect figures. Due to the size of the liability incurred in error, Advantage requests that the FCC waive the 45 day revised filing rule and allow Advantage to file a corrected 499-O

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Should you have any questions or require additional information, please do not hesitate to contact me at (504) 293-8204.

Respectfully submitted,

EllenAnn G. Sands

Counsel for Advantage Communications

Corp.

FCC Form 499-Q Telecommunications Reporting Worksheet Quarterly Filing for Universal Service Contributors >>> Please read instructions before completing <<<					Approval by OMB 3060-0855	
Block	1: Contributor Identification Information	101 Filer 499 ID			823828	
102	Legal name of reporting entity	tage Telecommun	ricetims (450	<u> </u>		
	103 IRS employer identification number 59 - 343 <sub>83</sub> 29					
104	104 Name telecommunications service provider is doing business as Advantage Telelommunications Corp.					
105 Holding company [All affiliated companies should show same name here.]						
106 FCC Registration Number (FRN) 000 5011130						
107	Complete mailing address of reporting entity's corporate headquarters		3001 Ala Winter Pa	orna Althut, suite	354 CC NO	
Block	2: Contact Information				<u> </u>	
108	Person who completed this worksheet	EllenAr	m 6. Sonds		MAIL 8	
109	Telephone number of this person			8 32-19 84		
110	Fax number of this person	(504) - 831-0892				
111	E-mail of this person	(504) - 832-1984 D S S (504) - 831-0892 D S S e.sandsonbylaw. wm				
112	Billing address and billing contact person: [Bills for Universal Service contributions will be sent to this address.]	g address and billing contact person: Sonya Bly for Universal Service contributions 350 L Alorna Ave. , Stc '354				
Block 3: Contributor Historical and Projected Revenue Information						
113	113 Year of historical revenue information					
114	Indicate which Filing due  Quarterly filing May 1 this represents August 1 November 1	February 1 October 1 - December 31 (prior year) April 1 - June 30  May 1 January 1 - March 31 July 1 - September 30  August 1 April 1 - June 30 October 1 - December 31				
Historical billed revenues with no allowance or Total Interstate International						
dedu	ctions for uncollectibles. See instructions.		Revenues (a)	Revenues (b)	Revenues	
115	Telecommunications provided to other univers	al service	(2)		(c)	
contributors for resale  116 End-user telecommunications revenues including						
	pass-through charges for universal service contributions,		8.520,548.55	4,895,097.5	217,230.00	
117	but excluding international-to-international revenues.  All other goods and services				d (c) not requested	
118	Gross-billed revenues from all sources [sum		8,520,548.55	for Lines 117 and 118		
119	9 Projected gross-billed end-user interstate and international telecommunications revenues including any pass-through charges for universal service contributions, but excluding international-to-international revenues  10 Projected collected end-user interstate and international telecommunications			4,395.097.50	217,230.00	
, ZQ	revenues including any pass-through charges for universal service contributions, but excluding international-to-international revenues				212,885.40	
Block 4: CERTIFICATION: to be signed by an officer of the reporting entity						
121	121 I certify that the revenue data contained herein is privileged and confidential and that public disclosure of such information would likely cause substantial harm to the competitive position of the company. I request nondisclosure of the revenue information contained herein pursuant to sections 0.459, 52.17, 54.711 and 64.604 of the Commission's Rules.					
I certify that I am an officer of the above-named reporting entity, that I have examined the foregoing report and to the best of my knowledge,						
information and belief, all statements of fact contained in this Worksheet are true, that said Worksheet is an accurate statement of the affairs of						
the above-named company for the quarter and that the projections of gross-billed and collected revenues represent a good-faith estimate based on company procedures and policies.						
122 Signature Sense Glin						
	7)000000					
	23 Printed name of officer Sonya Bly 24 Position with reporting entity President					
	25 Date 4-1-04					
126 This filing is: Original filing Revised filing [revisions due within 45 days of original filing deadline]						
Do not mail checks with this form. Send this form to: Form 499 Data Collection Agent c/o NECA, 80 South Jefferson Road, Whippany, N.J. 07981 For additional information regarding this worksheet contact: Telecommunications Reporting Worksheet Info: (973) 560-4460 or via e-mail: Form499@neca.org						
PERSONS WILLFULLY MAKING FALSE STATEMENTS IN THE WORKSHEET CAN BE PUNISHED BY FINE OR IMPRISONMENT UNDER TITLE 18 OF THE UNITED STATES CODE, 18 U.S.C. 51001						
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